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IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED OFFICE (DO/US)

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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED
<u>IMAGE ENCODING DEVICE</u>		
TITLE OF INVENTION		
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ATTENTION: DO/US

**COMPLETION OF FILING REQUIREMENTS
FOR INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION ENTERING NATIONAL
STAGE IN U.S. DESIGNATED OFFICE (DO/US) UNDER 35 U.S.C. SECTION 371**

(check and complete the following item, if applicable)

This replies to the Notice of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. Section 371 and 37 C.F.R. Section 1.494 (FORM PCT/DO/EO/905).

A copy of FORM PCT/DO/EO/905 accompanies this response.

WARNING: *Where the items being submitted to complete the entry of the international application into the national phase*

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. Section 1.10*

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(Express Mail certification is optional.)

I hereby certify that this Completion of Filing Requirements and the papers indicated as being transmitted therewith is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on this date June 10, 2002, in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" Mailing Label Number **EL 933120513 US**, addressed to the: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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are subsequent to 20 months from the priority date, the application is still considered to be in the international stage. If mailing procedures are utilized to obtain a date, the express mail procedure of 37 CFR 1.10 must be used (because international application papers are not covered by an ordinary certificate of mailing. 37 CFR Section 1.8(2)(xi).

DECLARATION OR OATH

I. No original declaration or oath was filed. Enclosed is the original declaration or oath for this application.

NOTE: For surcharge fee for filing declaration after filing date, complete item IV(2).

NOTE: Acceptable minimums in the declaration in an ordinarily files U.S. application for identification of the specification to which it applies are:

- (A) application number (consisting of the series code and the serial number, e.g., 08/123,456);
- (B) serial number and filing date;
- (C) attorney docket number which was on the specification as filed;
- (D) title which was on the specification as filed and reference to an attached specification which is both attached to the oath or declaration at the time of execution and submitted with the oath or declaration; or
- (E) title which was on the specification as filed and accompanied by a cover letter accurately identifying the application for which it was intended by either the application number (consisting of the series code and the serial number, e.g., 08/123,456), or serial number and filing date. Absent any statement(s) to the contrary, it will be presumed that the application filed in the PTO is the application which the inventor(s) executed by signing the oath or declaration.

M.P.E.P. Section 601.01(a), 7th ed.

NOTE: Another minimum found acceptable in the declaration is the filing date (i.e., date of express mail) and the express mail number, useful where the serial number is not yet known. But note the practice where the express mail deposit is a Saturday, Sunday or holiday within the District of Columbia. 37 C.F.R. Section 1.10(c).

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. Section 1.41(a) points out that "Full names must be stated, including the family name and at least one given name without abbreviation together with any other given name or initial."

(complete (a) or (b), if applicable)

Attached is a

- (a) Statement by a registered attorney that the application filed in the PTO is the application that the inventor executed by signing the declaration.
- (b) Statement that the "attached" specification is a copy of the specification and any amendments thereto that were filed in the PTO to obtain the filing date.

AMENDMENT

II.

(complete as applicable)

An amendment in accordance with 37 C.F.R. Section 1.121 is attached.
 The attached amendment cancels claims _____ inclusively.

TRANSMITTAL OF ENGLISH TRANSLATION OF NON-ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPERS

III. Submitted herewith, is a English translation of the non-English language international application papers as originally filed. It is requested that this translation be used as the copy for examination purposes in the PTO. (See 37 C.F.R. Section 1.494(b)(2)).

NOTE: For fee for processing a non-English application, and submission of an English translation later than 20 months after the priority date, complete item IV(3) below.

NOTE: A non-English oath or declaration in the form provided or approved by the PTO need not be translated. 37 C.F.R. Section 1.69(b).

FEES

IV.

NOTE: See 37 C.F.R. Section 1.28(a).

1. Fees for claims

Each independent claim in excess of 3
(37 C.F.R Section 1.492(b) \$84.00; Small entity--\$42.00) \$_____

Each claim in excess of 20
(37 C.F.R Section 1.492(c) - \$18.00; small entity--\$9.00) \$_____

Multiple dependent claim(s)
(37 C.F.R Section 1.492(d) - \$280.00;
small entity--\$140.00) \$_____

2. Surcharge fees

Surcharge set forth in Section 1.492(e), for accepting the declaration later than 20 months after the priority date in filing an application in the U.S. as a designated office-- \$130.00; small entity--\$65.00 \$_____-0-

NOTE: The processing fee in the next item (Number 3) below is not subject to a reduction for small entity status.

3.

Processing fee set forth in Section 1.492(f), for acceptance of an English translation later than 20 months after

SMALL ENTITY STATUS

V. A statement that this filing is by a small entity

NOTE: See 37 C.F.R. Section 1.28(a).

(check and complete applicable items)

a. [] is attached.
was filed on _____ (original).
b. [] A separate refund request accompanies this paper.

EXTENSION OF TIME

(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)

VI.

The proceedings herein are for a patent application. The provisions of 37 C.F.R. Section 1.1 36(a) apply.

(a) [] Applicant petitions for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 C.F.R. Section 1.17(a)(1)-(4), for the total number of months checked out below:

Extension (months)	Fee for other than small entity	Fee for small entity
[] one month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
[] two months	\$ 400.00	\$200.00
[] three months	\$ 920.00	\$460.00
[] four months	\$1,440.00	\$720.00

Fee \$ _____

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefore.

(check and complete the next item, if applicable)

[] An extension for _____ months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor of \$ _____
_____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.
Extension fee due with this request \$ _____

or

(b) Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

TOTAL FEE DUE

VII. The total fee due is:

Completion fee(s)	\$ <u> -0- </u>
Extension fee (if any)	\$ <u> </u>
TOTAL FEE DUE \$ <u> -0- </u>	

PAYMENT OF FEES

VIII.

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$_____.

Charge Account No. _____ in the amount of \$_____.

A duplicate of this request is attached.

NOTE: Fees should be itemized in such a manner that it is clear for which purpose the fees are paid. 37 C.F.R. Section 1.22(b).

AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE ADDITIONAL FEES

IX.

WARNING: Accurately count claims, especially multiple dependent claims, to avoid unexpected high charges.

NOTE: "A written request may be submitted in an application that is an authorization to treat any concurrent or future reply, requiring a petition for an extension of time under this paragraph for its timely submission, as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time. An authorization to charge all required fees, fees under section 1.17, or all required extension of time fees will be treated as a constructive petition for an extension of time in any concurrent or future reply requiring a petition for an extension of time under this paragraph for its timely submission. Submission of the fee set forth in section 1.17(a) will also be treated as a constructive petition for an extension of time in any concurrent reply requiring a petition for an extension of time under this paragraph for its timely submission." 37 C.F.R. Section 1.136(a)(3).

NOTE: "Amounts of twenty-five dollars or less will not be returned unless specifically requested within a reasonable time, nor will the payer be notified of such amounts; amounts over twenty-five dollars may be returned by check or, if requested, by credit to a deposit account." 37 C.F.R. Section 1.26(a).

- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following additional fees that may be required by this paper, and during the entire pendency of this application, to Account No. 04-1105.
- 37 C.F.R. Sections 1.492(a)(2), 1.492(a)(3), or 1.492(a)(5) (filing fees)
- 37 C.F.R. Section 1.492(b) (presentation of extra claims)

NOTE: Because additional fees for excess or multiple dependent claims not paid on filing, or on later presentation, must only be paid, or these claims cancelled by amendment prior to the expiration of the time period set for response by the PTO in any notice of fee deficiency (37 C.F.R. Section 1.16(d)), it might be best not to authorize the PTO to charge additional claim fees, except possibly when dealing with amendments after final action.

- 37 C.F.R. Section 1.17 (application processing fees)
- 37 C.F.R. Section 1.17(a)(1)-(5)(extension fees pursuant to Section 1.136(a)).

WARNING: While 37 C.F.R. Section 1.17(a), (b), (c) and (d) deal with extensions of time under Section 1.136(a), this

authorization should be made only with the knowledge that: "Submission of the appropriate extension fee under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.136(a) is to no avail unless a quest or petition for extension is filed." (Emphasis added). Notice of November 5, 1985 (1060 O.G. 27).

[] 37 C.F.R. Section 1.18 (issue fee at or before mailing of Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. Section 1.311 (b)).

NOTE: *Where an authorization to charge the issue fee to a deposit account has been filed before the mailing of a Notice of Allowance, the issue fee will be automatically charged to the deposit account at the time of mailing the notice of allowance. 37 C.F.R. Section 1.311(b).*

NOTE: *37 C.F.R. Section 1.28(b) requires "Notification of any change in loss of entitlement to small entity status must be filed in the application . . . prior to paying, or at the time of paying . . . issue fee." From the wording of 37 C.F.R. Section 1.28(b): (a) notification of change of status must be made even if the fee is paid as "other than a small entity" and (b) no notification is required if the change is to another small entity.*

[] 37 C.F.R. Section 1.492(e) and (f) (surcharge fees for filing the declaration and/or an English translation of an international application later than 20 months from the earliest claimed priority date)

WARNING: *It is suggested that you always check this last authorization.*



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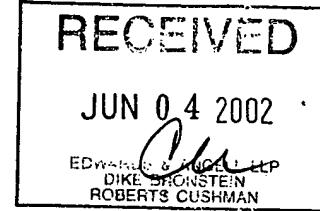
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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495):

- U.S. Basic National Fees
- Priority Document
- Copy of IPE Report
- Copy of references cited in ISR
- Copy of the International Application
- Copy of the International Search Report
- English Translation of the IA
- Information Disclosure Statements
- Request for Immediate Examination

Missing Parts
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 Approved 7/29/02

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 22 or 32 MONTHS (where 37 CFR 1.495 applies) FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the response.

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